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Docket No. AUS9-2000-0636-US1

Assistant Commissioner for Patents  
Washington, D.C. 20231

Assignee Name: International Business Machines Corporation  
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Sir:

Transmitted herewith for filing is the patent application of Inventor(s):

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For: **Method and Apparatus for Providing a Reliable Protocol for Transferring Data**

Enclosed are also:

- ☒ 31 Pages of Specification including an Abstract  
☒ 9 Pages of Claims  
☒ 8 Sheet(s) of Drawings  
☒ A Declaration and Power of Attorney  
☒ Form PTO 1595 and assignment of the invention to IBM Corporation

**CLAIMS AS FILED**

FOR	Number Filed		Number Extra		Rate		Basic Fee (\$710)
Total Claims	38	-20 =	18	X	\$ 18	=	\$ 324.00
Independent Claims	8	-3 =	5	X	\$ 80	=	\$ 400.00
Multiple Dependent Claims	0			X	\$260	=	\$ 0.00
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